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application of:

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ASSESSING HAND STRENGTH

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES (37 C.F.R. § 41.31)

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner, mailed February 27, 2006, for a second time rejecting claims 1-3 and 10.

1. STATUS OF APPLICANT

This application is on behalf of a small entity. A statement was already filed on October 31, 2003.

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2. FEE FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1), the fee for the Appeal Brief is:

Small entity

\$250.00

Notice of Appeal fee due

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3. EXTENSION OF TERM

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R.1.136 apply.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for 2:

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

An extension for two months has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$225.00 is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

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\$0.00

4. TOTAL FEE DUE

The total fee due is:

Notice of Appeal fee \$250.00 Extension fee \$0.00

TOTAL FEE DUE \$250.00

5. FEE PAYMENT

Attached is a check in the amount of \$250.00.

A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

6. FEE DEFICIENCY

If any additional extension and/or fee is required, and if any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 19-0737.

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